## ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF NONVOTING TAXPAYERS Notes of meeting 10 A.M., SATURDAY, July 9, 2022 via Zoom

- 1. Attending members: Kathy Baird, Gary Beller, Bill Gardner, Don Greene, Peter Halle, and Bill Sherman; Members absent included Lou Bassano and Peter Kahn. Guest Speaker Libby Gibson, Town Manager.
- 2. Chair Gary Beller opened the meeting at 10:02 a.m., read the script for Zoom meetings provided by the town and with a quorum present, the agenda for today's meeting was approved by roll call vote. Gary provided an update on our membership including renewals, re-appointments and resignations. Gary Beller, Don Greene and Lou Bassano have or are in the process of completing their re-appointments to new 3 year terms expiring in 2025 and Mary Russell is unable to renew her membership due to work considerations.
- 3. Gary welcomed guest speaker, Libby Gibson who provided an update on the on-going Veranda House fire and gave her annual update on the results of the Annual Town Meeting (ATM), issues facing Nantucket and answered questions. Although the emergency provisions of the state's open meeting law expire on July 15, Libby stated that town counsel had advised town boards and committees to continue meeting as we have been until further notice as legislation permitting remote and/or hybrid meetings is expected to pass. Libby agreed to solicit for ACNVT members when doing the same to fill other committee positions and suggested neighborhood associations be contacted through the Nantucket Civic League. ATM 2023 is scheduled for Saturday, May 6, 2023. Gary provided feedback on the proposed Short Term Rental Group (STRWG) composition and operations and Bill Sherman asked for feedback on roundabout installation progress. Libby provided an update on efforts to fill the gap in financing that is threatening the viability of the Ticcoma Green Project (64 affordable housing units).
- 4. The minutes for the prior meeting on April 9, 2022 were approved as submitted by roll call vote.
- 5. The annual election of ACNVT officers was completed by roll call vote with the election of Peter Halle, Chair; Bill Gardner, Vice Chair; Kathy Baird, Secretary. Gary Beller was thanked for his service as Chair for the past 2 years.
- 6. After some discussion regarding the ACNVT appointment of representatives to the town's STRWG, a tentative slate was

- proposed to include: Peter Halle (primary) Gary Beller (alternate), Peter Kahn (alternate), Kathy Baird (alternate, if three names are needed for consideration by the town). The suggested appointees will be reviewed once the structure and plans of the STRWG are finalized and published by the town.
- 7. It was agreed to tentatively schedule ACNVT Meetings every two weeks on Saturdays at 10AM starting July 23 through September 3 with the format/locations of the meeting dependent upon the extension of the open meeting law emergency provisions or a permanent change to the rules by the state legislature.
- 8. Speakers for future meetings include the Department of Public Works (Stephen Arcenaux), Board of Health (Roberto Santamaria), Select Board (Brooke Mohr) and/or Matt Fee and the newly hired Transportation Planner (Patrick Reed). Peter will begin the outreach to schedule speakers and requested that members suggest priority issues for ACNVT to address going forward.
- 9. It was agreed that Gary Beller will remain as the Coastal Resilience Advisory Committee's representative.
- 10. After a brief discussion regarding outreach to attract new members to the ACNVT it was agreed that it might be more attractive to prospective members if we were to schedule meetings on days other than Saturday mornings and be able to permanently permit remote attendance if permitted by the state. Gary Beller will attend the inperson summer Nantucket Civic League forum on July 18 at 9:30am at the Faregrounds Restaurant and actively recruit new members. Several members volunteered to recruit new members at summer neighborhood association meetings.
- 11. There was a motion, seconded and approved by roll call to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Baird, Secretary

The following link represents the recording of this meeting located on the Town of Nantucket YouTube website.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hT1LKlu0kRU